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Valerian renewed the persecution but he and his army was captured in 259 by the Persians.

His son Gallienus called off the persecution and officially permitted the practice of Christianity.

Emperor Valerian became a
slave of the Persians A.D. 261
HE DIED IN CAPTIVITY
His son was not sole
ruler (GALLIENUS)

Emperor Caesar Publius LICINIUS

GALLIENUS PIUS FELIX AUGUSTUS

VALERIAN - ROMAN EMPEROR (253-260)

257. GENERAL PERSECUTION OF CHRISTIANS

257 AD

Persecution of Christians

8th general persecution of
Christians was under
Valerian (257)

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257-258 reigned

St Sixtus II

St SIXTUS II (SIXTUS II) was
24th Pontiff. He succeeded
Stephen I

257-258

24th Pope St. Sixtus II
Greece, Martyr. The famous
martyrdom of St. Lawrence
took place three days after
his, according to his prediction.

257 AD

ST. SIXTUS II, POPE

Bothie pirates ravaged the southwestern coast of the Black Sea for the first time. In addition, they penetrated into the Propontis.

The fleet sailed past Tomis and Anchialus, and within sight of Lake Tekoz, it received such a large reinforcement of fighting boats that the available vessels were sufficient to ferry the Gothic warriors across the bay of Phileatene to the northern tip of the

~~headland~~ headland of Asia Minor.

Afterwards the Gothic fleet sailed through the Bosphorus and met the land forces at Chalcedon. The Roman garrison of the city left without offering a fight. The combined advance opened to the Goths the rich province of Bithynia. The barbarians succeeded in taking Nicomedia, Nicaea, Ctesiphaea and Prusa. A Greek by the name of Chrysogonos supposedly betrayed NICOMEDIA into their hands.

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The Gothic invasion of 257
started from a base that was clearly
located west of the Curvica.

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The ancestors of UL Fitas were captured in 257 by a band of Danubian Goths.